

# COVID-19

Thursday, April 16, 2020

## **SNOHOMISH COUNTY PROVIDES UPDATE ON COVID-19 RESPONSE**

Tomorrow, Snohomish County will provide an update on the COVID-19 response. Link to view the press conference is at right.

## **CITY OF LYNNWOOD HELPS TO SUPPORT LOCAL BUSINESSES**

The City of Lynnwood is compiling a list of businesses still offering full or limited services. Details and link at right.

## **CITY OF BOTHELL TEMPORARILY SUSPENDS PERMIT TIMELINES**

The Bothell City Council took action to prevent building permits from expiring during the COVID-19 pandemic.

## **VERDANT HEALTH COMMISSION UPDATE**

Verdant Health Commission is partnering with a number of local organizations to increase access to services to support the health of individuals and families in need. More details at right.

## **SNOHOMISH COUNTY DAILY BRIEFING**

### **Snohomish County to Provide Update on COVID-19 Response**

The Joint Information Center will host a Zoom press opportunity tomorrow at 9:30 a.m. with Snohomish County Executive Dave Somers, Snohomish Health District Health Officer Dr. Chris Spitters, and Snohomish County Chief Medical Examiner Dr. Matt Lacy.

The video will be posted at noon the same day and available for viewing at <https://www.snohd.org/495/COVID-19-General-Information>.

### **City of Lynnwood Helps to Support Local Businesses**

To show support for Lynnwood businesses, the City of Lynnwood is compiling a list of businesses still offering full or limited services. Residents are encouraged to support the local business community by continuing to patronize businesses while still maintaining social distancing guidelines. Grab takeout from your favorite restaurant or purchase a gift card to use in the future.

A full list of businesses can be found at [City of Lynnwood – Open for Business](#).

### **Bothell Permit Timelines Temporarily Suspended**

Bothell City Council took action to prevent building permits from expiring during the pandemic. Processing timelines and expiration dates have been temporarily suspended for all applications that were already completed and active permits as of January 1, 2020.

### **Verdant Health Commission Update**

The Verdant Health Commission is partnering with a number of local organizations to increase access to services to support the health of our individuals and families in need.

Verdant's focus so far has been on investing in programs to increase access to nutritious food and mental health services. To date, Verdant has invested approximately \$189,000 and the partnerships already in place include:

#### **Access to Nutritious Food**

- Edmonds Food Bank
- Lynnwood Food Bank
- Foundation for Edmonds School District

#### **Access to Mental Health Services**

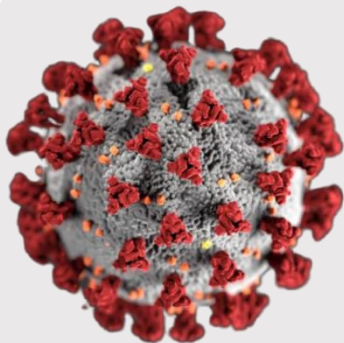
- Center for Human Services
- Project Access Northwest

#### **Partnerships that includes both nutritious food and mental health access include:**

- Korean Women's Association

For more information please visit [Verdant Health Commission](#).

### **School Districts Find Creative Ways to Honor High School Seniors**



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## SCHOOL DISTRICTS FIND CREATIVE WAYS TO HONOR HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS

Tomorrow night, high schools across the state are turning on their stadium lights to honor the Class of 2020. Details at right.

## WORKSOURCE CENTERS OPEN ONLINE TO PROVIDE ACCESS TO JOBS AND EMPLOYMENT RESOURCES

WorkSourceWA.com provides access to thousands of Washington jobs and other employment resources.

## WA FOOD FUND NEEDS MORE DONATIONS

More than \$1 million has been raised for the WA Food Fund, but \$12 million is still needed. Link to donate is at right.

## YOUR WELL-BEING IS IMPORTANT

Washington State has a new webpage with resources to provide you with tools to take care of your self and your family's mental health and well-being. Link at right.

## RESOURCES TO PROTECT SENIORS

A new and comprehensive resource page for seniors has been developed. Link at right.

On Friday, April 17th, at 8:20pm high schools across Washington state are turning on their stadium lights to honor the Class of 2020. The lights will shine bright for 20 minutes.



## WorkSource Centers Open Online to Provide Access to Jobs and Employment Resources

Employment Security is a proud partner in the statewide WorkSource system, which provides employment and training assistance to job seekers and businesses. While WorkSource centers are closed for in-person services during the COVID-19 outbreak, customers can still get help from WorkSource staff by [phone](#) and through the Live Chat feature on [WorkSourceWA.com](#). The website provides access to thousands of Washington jobs and other employment resources. Chat agents cannot answer unemployment benefit questions.

## WA Food Fund Needs More Donations

Today, Gov. Jay Inslee urged more corporations and residents to donate to the state's food assistance fund to help meet increasing demands. More than \$1 million has been raised for the WA Food Fund, but \$12 million is still needed. Every dollar donated helps provide meals for a child or family in need. Visit <https://philanthropy.org/wa-food-fund> to learn more and donate.

## Your Well-Being is Important

This crisis has put tremendous stress on families, whether you're working from home, furloughed, laid-off, or a student trying to figure out how to continue your education.

It's critical that you take care of yourself and your family's mental health and well-being.

Please check out [our state's new page for resources on this issue](#).

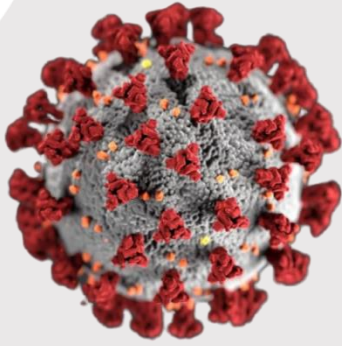
## Resources to Protect Seniors

It's important that we do everything possible to protect those most vulnerable to dying of COVID-19. People over the age of 65 are especially at risk.

Gov. Jay Inslee recently [issued a proclamation](#) to protect high-risk workers, including those aged 65 and up or anyone with pre-existing conditions that make them more vulnerable.

There's also a new and comprehensive resource page for seniors, which [you can find here](#).

## Patty Murray and Other Senate Democrats Push White House for Broad Coronavirus Testing



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## PATTY MURRAY AND OTHER SENATE DEMOCRATS PUSH FOR BROAD CORONAVIRUS TESTING

Democrats in the United States Senate drew up a road map for how to implement broad COVID-19 testing across the nation. Link to news article at right.

## FDA - HOW YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE DURING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

The FDA issued a great resource listing ways you and your family can make a difference during the COVID-19 pandemic.

## WATCH OUT FOR SCAMS RELATED TO ECONOMIC IMPACT PAYMENTS

Go directly and solely to [IRS.gov](https://www.irs.gov) for official information on your economic impact payment.

## SBA UNABLE TO ACCEPT NEW APPLICATIONS FOR PPP AND EIDL PROGRAMS

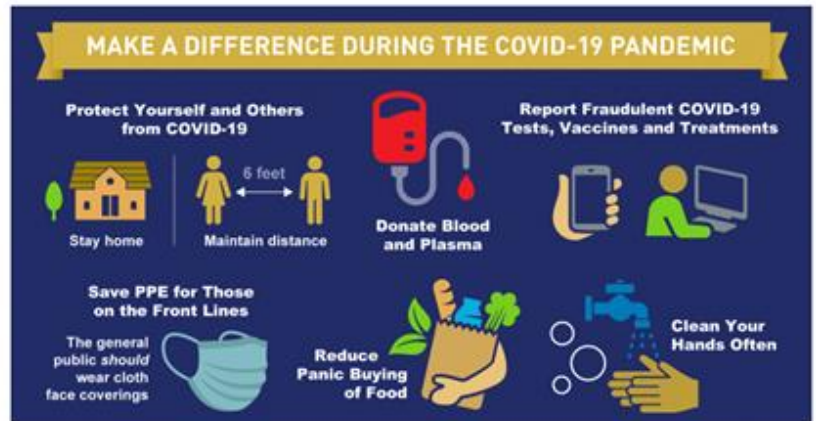
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The full news article can be found [here](#).

## FDA - How You Can Make a Difference During the COVID-19 Pandemic

The COVID-19 pandemic has created challenges in our everyday lives. As we each do our part to help slow the spread of coronavirus disease, we look to the helpers all around us and wonder if we, too, could do more. Here are some ways you and your family can help. [Read more](#) from the Federal Drug Administration (FDA).



## Watch Out for Scams Related to Economic Impact Payments

The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) urges the community to be on the lookout for scams related to the Economic Impact Payments. The IRS will not send unsolicited electronic communications asking people to open attachments, visit a website, or share personal or financial information.

Remember, go directly and solely to [IRS.gov](https://www.irs.gov) for official information.

The IRS tool to check the status of your stimulus payment, update your banking information or address, or for non-filers to enter payment information to get their checks is at

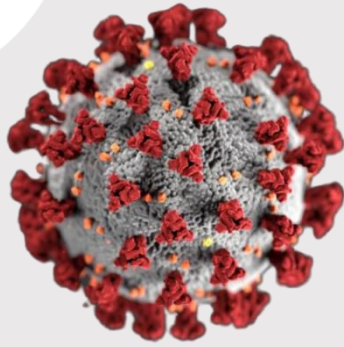
<https://www.irs.gov/coronavirus/economic-impact-payments>.

## SBA Unable to Accept New Applications for the Paycheck Protection Program and Economic Injury Disaster Loan Program

The Paycheck Protection Program (PPP) and Economic Injury Disaster Loan (EIDL) programs are saving millions of jobs, providing much-needed relief, and helping America's small businesses make it through this challenging time.

As of this morning, the Small Business Administration (SBA) is currently unable to accept new applications for the [PPP](#) based on available appropriations funding.

Also, the SBA is unable to accept new applications at this time for the [EIDL COVID-19 related assistance](#) program, including EIDL Advances, based on available appropriations funding. Applicants who have already submitted their applications will continue to be processed on a first-come, first-served basis.



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## CONFIRMED AND PROBABLE CASES OF COVID-19 IN SNOHOMISH COUNTY

Please note: The statistics are also available on the [Snohomish Health District website](#).

Numbers less than 5 are suppressed to protect medical privacy. Not all cases are within city limits and totals may include nearby unincorporated Snohomish County. Unknown includes cases still under investigation.

\*Counts are for portions in Snohomish County only.

## ESSENTIAL LINKS AND PHONE NUMBERS FOR UP-TO-DATE INFORMATION

- [Snohomish Health District](#)
- [Snohomish County](#)
- [Snohomish County COVID-19 Response & Community Resource Hub](#)
- [Washington State](#)
- [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention](#)
- Snohomish County COVID-19 Phone Line: **425-388-3944**
- Washington State COVID-19 Hotline: Call **1-800-525-0127** or text **211-211** for help. For information to be texted to you, text **Coronavirus** to **211-211**

SBA Administrator Jovita Carranza issued [this joint statement](#) with U.S. Treasury Secretary Steven Mnuchin to “urge Congress to appropriate additional funds for the Paycheck Protection Program — a critical and overwhelmingly bipartisan program — at which point we will once again be able to process loan applications, issue loan numbers, and protect millions more paychecks.”

### Additional Resources for Small Businesses

The SBA and local partners are committed to help small businesses recover from the economic impact of COVID-19. The following are additional resources for small businesses:

- Funding: [SBA 7\(a\), 504 and microloans](#), on which the SBA is offering [Debt Relief](#); or, [SBA Express Bridge Loans](#).
- Advising: The [SBA Resource Partner Network](#) for business resiliency readiness advising and training.
- Tax Relief: [IRS information](#) about tax relief for businesses.
- [Washington State Resources](#).

### Confirmed and probable cases of COVID-19 in Snohomish County (as of April 16, 2020)

Case Count	Last Updated: 2:00 p.m.
Confirmed	2,032
Probable	149
Deceased	86

Jurisdiction	Last Updated: 2:00 p.m.
Arlington	87
Bothell*	150
Brier	16
Darrington	<5
Edmonds	236
Everett	603
Gold Bar	<5
Granite Falls	18
Index	0
Lake Stevens	94
Lynnwood	364
Marysville	164
Mill Creek	37
Monroe	55
Mountlake Terrace	71
Mukilteo	49
Snohomish	114
Stanwood	75
Sultan	<5
Tulalip	7
Unknown/Other	12
Woodinville*	12
Woodway	6